

Benning's Italian War Prisoners Celebrate Capitulation With Mass

The entire complement of eight hundred Italian prisoners of war, interned at Fort Benning Sunday celebrated a Te Deum mass, offering of Thanksgiving, to mark the capitulation of their homeland to the Allies and also to express their gratitude for the good treatment they have received as prisoners of war.

The request for the mass was made by the prisoners themselves last Wednesday, the day they arrived and the

day that peace between America and Italy was announced here. The Rev. Roderick MacEachen, who was assigned to the Vatican in 1918 and is the chaplain in their camp, this morning led them in communion mass and the singing of Te Deum.

Father MacEachen said that the prisoners, upon their arrival here, said they considered themselves especially fortunate. They embarked on their trip from North Af-

rica on August 15, the date of the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and they arrived at their camp here on September 8, the date of the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Mass and two processions are the most important feasts of the Madonna and the prisoners of war said that the coincidence of their traveling dates was symbolic of their good fortune, as prisoners of war.

He told the prisoners of war that by their abiding faith in religion that they were bound to resurrect that glory to their freedom would one day come to their homes and families. "Faith shall make you free," the father observed.

The prisoners of war joined in the ceremony at sunrise. The first joined in chanting the Litany of the Blessed Virgin, then celebrated mass and received communion.

Upon completing the mass, the prisoners of war went to the mess hall for a hearty breakfast, enjoying cereal, bacon and eggs, toast and coffee.

Weekdays the prisoners of war work on farms in this environment, harvesting peanuts to allay the labor shortage.

Although this group of war prisoners arrived only Wednesday, they already have been out harvesting crops.

Father MacEachen, in 1918, was engaged in post graduate

work in Rome. Due to his work in the clergy, which had been commended to the Pope, Father MacEachen was called to the Vatican for an assignment. During the peace conference he served as private secretary to the papal legate to the conference.

He then returned to this country where he joined the theological faculty at the Catholic University of America in Washington.



THE REV. RODERICK MacEACHEN, chaplain of the Italian prisoner of war camp at Fort Benning, is shown above as he performs rites during communion at a Te Deum mass at the camp on Sunday, September 12. The mass was requested by the 800 prisoners of war that they might express their thanks for the good treatment they have received from the Allies and for the peace. U. S. Army Signal Corps photo.)

All-Benning Cast to Be Seen in 'Cat and Canary'

Who killed lawyer Roger Crossby?

Who is the homicidal maniac known as the "Cat"?

Who will inherit the wealthy estate of Cyrus West when the twenty-year old son is read to the surviving relatives?

All these mysteries and many more will be answered tonight for Friday when an All-Benning cast is presented in the Columbus Civic Theater's production of the famed murder comedy, "The Cat and the Canary," at the Playhouse, 25 Tenth St. in downtown Columbus.

WAR BOND SHOW

The show had its premiere last night before a swanky Columbus audience which turned out for a War Bond benefit, admission being a \$25 war savings bond per person.

Tonight and tomorrow night for a half-price admission ticket of twenty-five cents, all men in uniform will be admitted. This reduced price for soldiers was put in effect by the Civic Theater so that large groups of Benning men might witness the show.

EATON DOES SET

"The Cat and the Canary" is the first fall production of the

Columbus theater group which consists of both civilian and military personnel from Fort Benning.

Tonight's show, however, is the first one that has been an All-Benning production. Even the sets were done by a soldier, St. Sgt. James Eaton of the Infantry School.

The mystery melodrama is being directed by Emily McNair Zimbalist, wife of Officer Candidate Efrem Zimbalist, now working for his bars in the 3rd STR of the Infantry School. Mrs. Zimbalist is a well-known Broadway actress who was married last winter to the USO production of Rose Franken's "Claudia." The road show played at Benning last December.

ACTIVE INTEREST

Since arriving at Benning to be with her husband, Mrs. Zimbalist lent her efforts to the war bond effort, and has also taken an active interest in the Civic Theater. She quickly agreed to take over the director's job for "The Cat and the Canary" when she found that it was to be an All-Benning production.

Playing the lead roles in the

show are Mrs. Terry Ryder, wife of See ALL-BENNING, Page 7



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Post Infantry Board Shows New Weapons

Bazooka, Anti-Tank Rifle Grenade Get Bickford Premiere

Powerful Arms Do Their Stuff As Movie Cameras Grind Away

Two of the U. S. Army's potent secret weapons, the Bazooka and the antitank rifle grenade, made their public debuts Tuesday afternoon before a battery of newsreel and still cameramen on Bickford Range as the War Department officially lifted the shrouds of secrecy which surrounded the two weapons since their invention.

Fort Benning's famed Infantry Board, which is headed by the War Department, with studying organization, technique, and equipment of Infantry troops, staged a three-hour demonstration for the press and high ranking Benning officers. Among the guests were Gen. E. C. Allen, commandant of the Infantry School, and Brig. Gen. George P. Weems, assistant commandant, who are ex-officio members of the Infantry Board.

After tracing the need for a projectile to use against armor plated vehicles, Col. Oesth declared, "Col. Oesth described the individual anti-tank rifle which the Germans had developed during World War I, that was capable of dealing with tanks at that time.

GRENADE RIFLE

After tracing the need for a projectile to use against armor plated vehicles, Col. Oesth described the U. S. Army's antitank rifle grenade.

Although this type of grenade, which is adapted to eliminate the Infantry's weapons, and the rifle grenade pulverized formidable targets and proved the versatility of the weapons as capable defense for the individual infantryman against tanks or as anti-personnel.

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SECRET NO LONGER are these two deadly weapons now in the hands of doughboys from Italy to Salama. Bottom, a picked squad of "rifle grenadiers" from the 176th Infantry poised to fire a salvo of the new grenade which may be launched with a simple attachment from any army rifle; at the top, Lt. Kenneth Sheldon, "rocketeer," shows the famous "Bazooka" and its rocket-tipped projectile, an anti-tank weapon designed to put foot soldiers on a parity with modern "armor."

Photographs by U. S. Army Signal Corps.



Share the Ride Plan at Post Off the Beam

Gas Ration Board Threatens Reduction Of Coupon Books Here

With the "share the ride" plan not working as efficiently as it should be at Fort Benning, sharp reduction of gasoline coupon books will have to be made and another reduction in tire permits must be made unless the conditions are corrected.

That was the warning issued today by Sgt. Louis Lipp, chief clerk of the Fort Benning branch of the autocoupe rationing board, as he also issued a warning against unlawful tire changing and stated that at Benning automobile owners were in some instances becoming victimized by "black market" tire dealers.

An excellent record was set originally when the "share-ride" plan was instituted at Fort Benning, with a survey showing that automobile owners entering the park were carrying an average of 3.8 persons each as passengers. Now, however, casual checkups show that the trend is toward fewer passengers per car, and many automobiles are entering and leaving without passengers, Sgt. Lipp said.

"We have been warned that if the trend continues, Atlanta will See SHARE, Page 7



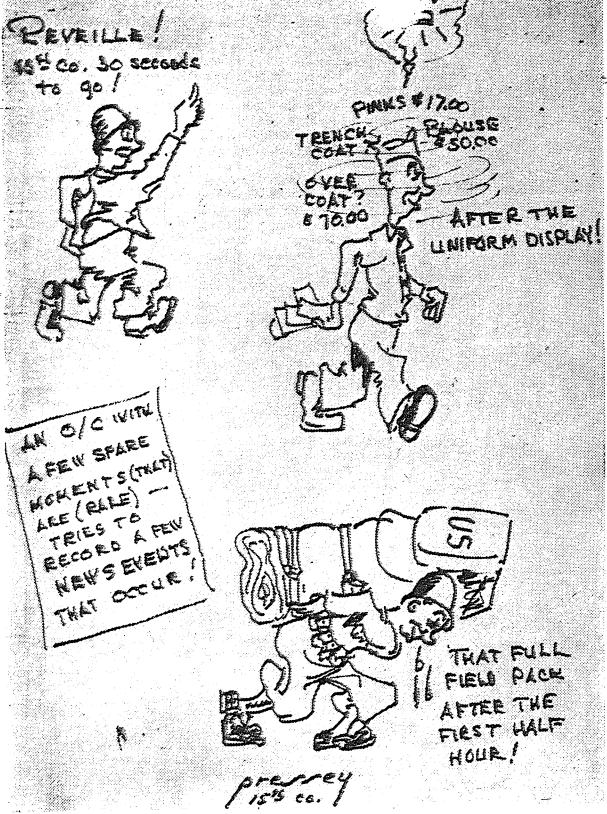
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He Aims . . .



Bo-ooo-mmm!!!



Company Fund Buys Extra Mess Goodies

Headquarters Company of the First Student Training Regiment, The Infantry School, is setting a fast pace in the "Mess Drive", started by Colonel W. S. Roosma, regimental commander. Lt. George J. Hopkins, the commanding officer recently assigned to Headquarters Company, is doing wonderful work in improving the food quality and general appearance of the mess hall, and in reducing food wastage.

The men who mess in this company are continually reminded of the necessity of reducing food wastage and it now has become second nature with every man to eat everything he puts on his plate.

As we all know, there is nothing which contributes to making a soldier feel more at home than a good, clean mess hall with viands cooked like mom used to make. Headquarters Company has done much to brighten the atmosphere and improve the food. There is enough seasoning, sauces, fixtures and other palatable extras on each table to start a grocery store. Special attention is given to the cooking and preparation of the mess by Lt. Hopkins and Lt. Applegate, the mess officer.

The interior of the mess hall was repainted and plans are afoot to paint the stools all one color. Every meal hour, a radio keeps the men entertained with dance programs or news reports.

Typical of the meals they receive is the one the men had the other day. Each soldier had one-half fried chicken (not one was less than three-quarters of a pound), a salad, iced water and grape juice, lima beans, glazed gravy, potato pieces, topped off by a butterscotch dessert with whipped cream.

When asked how he could afford to do all these things to improve the mess hall, Lt. Hopkins had a very sound response which should be noted by all company commanders:

"What have you got a company fund for?" You know how a soldier likes those extra goodies and a pleasant place in which to eat. Then, too, originally and accidentally, the cook's job is one of the primary factors in satisfying the soldier's desire for variety and tasty meals. Our cooks take pride in their work and feel that they've accomplished something if

TOUR GLOBE

In the meantime his duties took him virtually on a Cook's tour of the globe. For three years after the last war (1923-1926) he served aboard with the 8th Field Artillery Battalion. Again in 1933 he left the country for three years' service in Hawaii, only to return with the 25th Infantry division as a captain.

Upon completion of his duties there in 1938 General Murphy was selected to attend the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, from which he graduated the following year.

He became G-1 of Armored Command Aug. 1, 1941, and served in that capacity until April 15 of this year. Within a year and a half he had been made a major (1940) and was promoted to colonel at Fort Knox in 1942.

His arrival to the division in desert training was somewhat of a surprise to this scholarly soldier. Arriving with Lt. A. H. Heidt, he found the commanding general with a military band out to greet him. En route from Armored Command headquarters he had been appointed brigadier general.

Thus, his "homecoming" to the "Lucky 7th" was soon made the occasion for a simple yet impressive star-pinning ceremony carried out against the backdrop of California mountains and scrubland sand.

But at Fort Knox the general (then colonel) had just been hoping for assignment to the 7th because he had watched its double-time activation and progress from Armored Command headquarters. He had great interest in what he believes today is the finest armored division in this country.

LEARNED A LOT

On his work with the 7th Armored he said recently: "I enjoyed the months of desert training and found maneuvers very interesting. I got more out of it than the boys did, and I think we both learned a hell of a lot."

This modest, intelligent general of 42 is a typical American leader in that he keeps himself in top physical condition. When he has time, he likes to go horseback riding. While stationed at Fort Benning as commanding officer of Co. "A" of 8th Field Artillery, he played the No. 2 position on the post championship polo team of 1929.

It was a Texas army that gave him balance and confidence in the saddle. The boy, who learned to play football at West Point, the general also enjoys a good game of golf when time permits.

As befits a man who has been a keen student of military science all his life, his favorite indoor

sport is reading. When interviewed by the division public relations reporter he said he was currently enjoying the book, "Volume One (of the) 1000 Lieutenants" by Douglas Southall Freeman. Aside from Time and Life, Readers Digest, and the daily papers, most of his reading is confined to what he terms "professional stuff such as field and training manuals."

Like many scholars, the general is also a teacher, having taught at Ohio State University as assistant professor of military science and tactics for half a decade between 1920 and 1924.

It is well rounded life this new leader of the "Lucky 7th's" Combat Command "A" has led. Scholar, teacher, sportsman and military scientist . . . he is all of these. But first and foremost he is a general.

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One of the West Point graduates now taking the basic course at the Infantry School, Lieutenant McCanna gained fame as a marksman standing fifteenth at the Military Academy, which awarded him his varsity "A" in that sport. He fired in every match but one during the 1942 and 1943 seasons and placed third for Army in the Army-Navy Match competition last year. This time Army outshot the midshipmen, themselves no mean opponents, by 1389 to 1381.

Such accurate shooting left no doubt in Lieutenant McCanna's mind that the Infantry would be his branch of service after he put his finger on touch on his marksmanship at Fort Benning. He's going out to hunt the biggest game of all.

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ESTIMATED TIME OF ARRIVAL

Lt. Lyons Gets Captaincy

First Lieut. John J. A. Lyons, assistant chief of the civilian personnel branch at post headquarters, Fort Benning, has been promoted to the rank of captain.

A native of Albany, N.Y., Capt. Lyons also is a Army Emergency Relief Officer of post headquarters, a position he assumed in September, 1942.

As a member of the enlisted reserve of the Army, Capt. Lyons was called to active duty at Fort Benning on December 12, 1940, and remained until April, 1942, when he was assigned to post headquarters as assistant adjutant. He was assigned to his present job in February, 1943.

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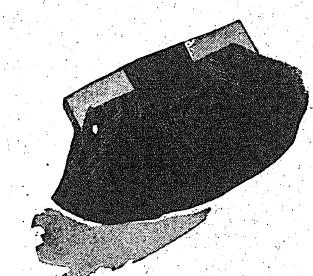
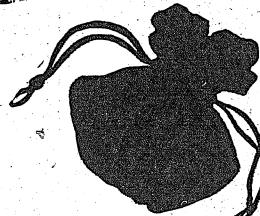
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"It is our desire and our settled policy that collaboration between our two countries (the United States and Russia) shall steadily increase during and following the war."—Cordell Hull, U. S. Secretary of State.

Bayonet Observes First Anniversary

With this issue the BAYONET proudly celebrates the inauguration of its second year of publication as we bring forth Volume 2, Number 1.

In making plans for the BAYONET, we were faced with the tremendous task of representing a great diversity of interests. Unlike many more posts scattered through the length and breadth of the land where the ratio of officer personnel is relatively small, the population of Fort Benning is composed of thousands of officers here to attend refresher and advanced courses in the Infantry School as well as officer candidates seeking their commissions. Then too we boast a huge staff of civilian employees and hundreds of women and children making up the families of officers and enlisted men stationed here. The latter contribute much to the life of the post, and, since we are a post newspaper, we have with justification regarded them all as members of our great post family, and their activities have been recorded in the columns of the BAYONET.

While making no attempt to hand ourselves a bouquet of orchids, we are proud of the fact that the BAYONET as come to be regarded, among other things, as a post family newspaper, something of which we could not in the past and cannot in the future lose sight. Our circulation has grown considerably since last September 17, another fact of which we are proud.

We sincerely hope that in the year to come we shall be able to make many improvements which will make the BAYONET a bigger and better post newspaper, adequately and accurately reflecting the current history of all components of Fort Benning. We are open to suggestions and sincerely hope that any and all will come forward with constructive criticism which will help us along toward our objective.

The BAYONET takes this opportunity to voice a note of thanks to all contributors who have been so cooperative in helping us along a road which has had its thorns as well as its roses. With their continued cooperation we know we cannot fail.

King Football Makes His Entry

The Bayonet is pleased to sense that the year is at that gorgeous season when cool mornings warmed by hot suns become chilly nights and when the national pastime has an infant competitor for the sporting world's attention.

In plainer words we are expectant of a great gridiron season—a season which promises to show us some fine football games at Fort Benning this year.

What may be lacking in campus razzle-dazzle will certainly be made up by good, clean football play on service fields. The class buzz will be replaced by the Army bugle, and the familiar "football queen" and cooing cheering section will not be present for thousands of the nation's grid stars this season, but the game will go on.

When the season opens here at Fort Benning, there will be, however, crowds of cheering soldiers—brothers-in-arms of the football gladiators. And there will be the uniforms from the military bands, which will replace the uniforms bedecked and beribboned varsity bands led by majorettes.

Many college and universities called off football for the duration last year, and many more have done so already this year.

It is up to the services to keep the game alive, and they are doing it.

Back Is The Hunter, Home From The Hills

We're back from the bivouac, boys, we're back from the bivouac. It's clean coveralls for us and a shower every night, and beer in the evenings. And we've got those bivouac blues.

We sleep in beds, the last ant and spider have been shaken from our blankets. We've got time to write letters, but where is that sign reposing a lonely tent? "Deposit mail here!" We're back from the bivouac, boys, and we've got those bivouac blues.

We tried and tried, but it's no use. We got back "home" late Saturday night, and we had hopes of losing ourselves—but we got back into our very barracks and we could not lose them. Where are those words at the end of a night patrol problem when you got back to point No. 3, thinking it was Point No. 4, and you had a decent prospect of spending the night roaming through the final protective lines of a machine gun section? We're back from the bivouac, boys, and we've got those bivouac blues.

The swimming pool is clear and green at the Officers' Club in Fort Benning—but there's a creek out yonder, and its water is a golden yellow and a rope stretches over the creek. All you have to do is give way to primal instincts: hands and feet right over the middle of the creek, without any apparent reason to go either forward or backward, until finally you drop blissfully into the yellow waters—preferably with somebody else's rifle slung around your neck. . . . We're back from the bivouac, boys, and we've got those bivouac blues.

There is a village over yonder, and we took and retook it, and we got killed in it. And we searched the church and the hotel and the bank and found nothing but old booby traps in either of them. But there was a bar too, and did they let us search the cellar of the bar?—They did not. They did not.

It rains on Agony Hill and what do we do? We go home and get dry. But out there—oh, the pure, unadulterated joy of walking for days on end in overalls soaked in nature's own rain.

A flat is the road to Norton Court, flat is the

road to the gas chamber, flat even seems the road to Agony Hill. But it's over there, boys, that they've got—"Hills, hills, hills, hills, marching up and down again, and there's no discharge in the war."

We're back from the bivouac boys, and we've got those bivouac blues—maybe. —Anonymous, 12th Co., 1st S.T.R.

More Bonds Needed To Crush Huns in Italy

Optimistic Americans who expected a lark in Italy after last week's capitulation by the Italian government have been quickly disillusioned by the apparent determination of the German government to resist Allied occupation of the peninsula.

The Nazis' stiff resistance is however, in our opinion, a blessing in disguise to us Americans. It should teach us that we are not going to win this war in a walk, that we are not going to be marching through Berlin by this Christmas, that we are going to shed plenty of blood and sweat and tears before Italy is completely ours; and that every penny we can scrape together will be needed to back the present and future attacks on Hitler's Europe.

Even the men on the bench . . . the soldiers over here . . . must join in. For while our fellow soldiers are digging, sweating, and bleeding to gain and hold another yard, it's our job to see that they get everything they might need. Nobody is going to want for another tank to support the left flank or a grenade to throw at the enemy. They must get this equipment regardless of what we have to sacrifice at home.

The same day that Italy capitulated, Secretary of Treasury Morgenthau announced plans for a home front push to aid the battle crew . . . the 3rd War Loan Drive—fifteen billion dollars to be raised, largely, in \$18.75 and \$37.50 purchases between September 9 and October 2. Calling on the Army for the first time Secretary of War Stimson announced that the help of every soldier, private to general, was expected, and needed badly. Mere presence in uniform is not enough to make us pour both wealth and energy into the scrap.

But Fort Benning soldiers welcome the opportunity. We can lend \$500,000 with ease. Let's give our team another vote of confidence . . . for our buddies overseas . . . make it \$1,000,000. And we'll remember that \$18.75 and \$37.50 purchases are going to win the fight. Give the 3rd War Loan a shove along the way soldier . . . buy an extra war bond today.

Medical Progress Reduces Fatalities

The interval since World War I has brought us many remarkable advances in medicine and surgery, and these advances are now paying our fighting men huge dividends by saving thousands of lives of our wounded in combat throughout our many scattered battlefronts.

Some of these advances are the sulfa drugs, blood plasma and the new anesthetics, which have contributed greatly in the reduction of our war wounded casualties.

Today we have a different type of warfare, where deadlier weapons are used, such as incendiary bombs, bigger and heavier guns, powerful tanks, and faster planes, and these are causing more numerous and more severe wounds than any previous war.

Aiding our fighting men, is a better organization of our medical forces in the field, and a better and faster evacuation of our wounded with better and faster administration of first aid. This no doubt is also contributing to the saving of thousands of lives.

In the first World War, the fatality rate was 7.7 per cent. Today with more deadlier weapons, used by our enemies we have only a 4 per cent fatality.

In the Solomons, deaths from abdominal wounds were less than 5 per cent, while in previous wars the mortality rate with this type of wound was 50 per cent or higher.

Wound infections and gas gangrene in this war have been relatively infrequent, largely as a result of routine use of the sulfa drugs.

Tetanus toxoid now given to all our armed forces before entering battle, has protected our men against this deadly condition contracted by filthiness.

Everybody wants to have a world that works. Working together works. Nothing else will.

The politician is primarily concerned with how he's going to come out in the next election. The statesman thinks first of how the nation will make out in the next generation.

The answer to all the people who are burned up about Washington is—more of them on fire for the nation.

There is one thing more important than having a good man in the White House. And that's having a good man in EVERY house.

The post-war world will be just the same as the pre-war world if the post-war people are.

We will have that brave new world when we are brave and new ourselves.

When people are generous to a fault it is usually their own fault they are generous to.

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Two's a Team


USO Presents
HOUSING CAMPAIGN, RELIGIOUS MOVIE, AND VARIE TY SHOW

By PFC. SHELDON A. KEITEL

The Traveler's Aid-USO campaign to obtain housing in the Columbus area for servicemen is bearing fruit in that some 200 new rooms have been offered for rent to soldiers and their families. Miss Bunnie Dillashaw, acting director of the TA-USO, announced. She pointed out, however, that many of the rooms have been offered on only a temporary basis while members of a household are on vacation and that the need for permanent rooms or apartments is still urgent. The number of applications for housing have not decreased, she said.

The new USO "troops in transit" lounge will be decorated shortly and will be ready for opening about Oct. 1. Furniture will be selected on the basis of local taste and will reflect the personality of the community. In addition an emergency room will be equipped with regulation bed, first air kit, and medical supplies.

Through the efforts of the National Catholic Community Services division of the Ninth Street USO the religious motion picture "The Eternal Gift" will be exhibited at Fort Benning for six days during the latter part of September. Mr. Eugene Bergmann, director, announced. Showings will be on the Main Post, Sand Hill, Harmony Church and at Lawson Field.

This Khaki'd World

By PVT. G. I. GRIPE

Put on your khaki bonnet With the blue braid upon it; And we'll hitch old dobbin to the shay. For now that gas is rationed Your new car's old-fashioned; It's the buck-board leads the way.

Put on those G. I. high boots, Say goodbye to zoot-suits Cause you're in the Army till the end;

Quit your belly-aching It's no time for faking You're a soldier now, my friend.

—The Shadow.

Sgt. Milton Luban, the sage (hey, and we always thought that was the stuff they put in dressings), of the Regimental Mirror, called to say he was going to the hospital with his back again. Back with the back, he says. Well, says we, they can never accuse you of having a strong back and a weak mind. But he thought it too corny to print in his column. But we are always glad to have some bit of jokerie, even to it until the kitchen crew finally pointed to a blazing fire and one of the kitchen crew remarked cheerfully "Boats certainly do burn good, don't they?" Now the boys who worked so hard to get them built a boat are doing a bit of burning on their own account.

Out in the Third Student

Training Regiment, they're pretty proud of Officer Candidate J. M. Robertson, of the 14th Company. He was out on a problem recently and saw a

front row when the 176th Hillbillies are scheduled to play at the Patio Grill. And sure enough, before the evening's over, he asks Corp. Britton Tabor to have the boys play "Low and Lonely." Corp. Tabor is beginning to hate the way.

Wonder just why Pfc. Maitland of the 176th detoured via Roanoke on his recent furlough to Richmond? Might it be that 101 Ranch?

A group of H men, out in the 124th Infantry, are hurting badly these days. It seems that they found a boat that had sunk in Clear Creek while they were on bivouac. With no little difficulty, they dragged it out and beached it to dry out thoroughly.

On their return to the camp site some time later, they took along paint and calking material. But the boat was missing and nobody could figure out what had happened to it until the kitchen crew finally pointed to a blazing fire and one of the kitchen crew remarked cheerfully "Boats certainly do burn good, don't they?" Now the boys who worked so hard to get them built a boat are doing a bit of burning on their own account.

Our assertion was simply

large blacksnake lying on a ledge just above him. Slipping a blank cartridge into his rifle, he advanced cautiously to within a few inches of the snake's head and squeezed the trigger in proper fashion

—the explosion, they claim, blew the snake's head off.

Not to be recommended, however, in cases of poisonous snakes.

Kay's Husband Says
HE WINDS UP VACATION COLUMN BY REGISTERING GRIPES ON WOMEN

This is the windup of my stint in substituting for Kay because she'll be back and she can write her own column for next week.

Since I have thought that a few women would read this thing in her absence I intended making this last one a compilation of my gripes about women en masse. You know—why should women complain because men like to read while they eat? Why should a man open an automobile door to let a woman enter and then risk his life by walking into a stream of traffic to enter the other door?

Why do some women look askance when I fail to remove my hat in an elevator which is just as much a public conveyance as a bus? See what I mean? I was going to try to ride women into starting a movement or a crusade.

No, I'll end it with a serious note. Kay is going to handle women's publicity again for the Bayonet and it moves me to explain that while the G.I. is the basic reader of this paper, we have felt that we must also fill the needs of ALL potential readers—and that includes a lot of women. And because Fort Benning proportionately more officers' wives as readers than does any other camp newspaper.

I suppose every professional newspaper editor curses the necessity for what he calls women's stuff—the "soc" pages (jargon for society), puerile love serials, cooking pages, advice to the lovelorn and all the rest of it.

Most editors actually feel that women readers have about the same intelligence as men readers, if not more, but circulation figures don't lie and no one dares break with tradition. As a consequence they go on printing stuff for women which in many instances is nausaeous even to the "soc" editor.

That's a lot for me to say in

army wife generally, there are exceptions of course, is a pretty swell person who can hold her chin up, take knocks, display her independence, stand even waiting in line at a PX for meat, gather her children up as her husbands sail overseas into possible death and accept her lot courageously, and for the most part stand the equal of any other woman in any other group.

That's a lot for me to say in praise of women. But what I wanted to explain is that we or the Bayonet believe that way and that is why we try intelligently to publish legitimate women's news. Take over, Kay!

Sgt. McDonald's Basket
COL. SWAMPWATER PINCH-HITS AS MAC GOLDBRIC KS IN HOSPITAL
By T. P. SWAMPWATER
Colonel, Infantry

budweiser with hwhine under my command.

During the past several months there has been a tendency on the part of the majors and lieutenants colonels to concentrate to much on illuminated belt buckles.

Such "sense of neatness" constantly held before the junior officers and enlisted men is indeed refreshing, but we should also add a word of warning to the field officers who salute their subordinates by pointing to their own right eyebrows with a rather lax forefinger. This as far as we all know does not invoke good discipline.

Men who have been making this mistake have also been allowing their chests to droop. A factor which causes me to remind you that no matter how shiny your belt buckle is nobody can see it if your bay window drops down over it.

On the asset side of the ledger I find most of the conduct extremely amiable and full of promise.

Naturally such minor divergencies as young officers like Lt. Jericho sneaking off to the ice cream parlor during ten minute breaks can be corrected by perseverance and raising the voice.

In conclusion, let me say I think all military personnel should chew more imported chewing gum and share their peanut brittle with all their friends. Such conduct will be beneficial to all military morale and enable both young and old to be more amiable in their conduct of the war.

People who expect a superman to solve their problems have better taking the comics too seriously and their own responsibilities not seriously enough.

K. A. S.
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CHAPEL IN THE GROVE
The sky above is the gilded dome,
The trees are the chapel walls—
And about the spot where I kneel to pray—
Are the proud and garnished halls.

The lights that glister from heights above
And shine of that altar fair,
Are the sunbeams falling from Heaven,
Piercing the morning air.

The choir that sings each Sabbath morn
Are the birds in the treecots high,
The organ that swells above their note
Is the wind with its soft low cry.

The songs we sing are the beautiful hymns
That my mother taught to be—
Like, "Jesus Lover of My Soul"
And, "Nearer My God To Thee."

"Thou" I leave my chapel and wander far,
At the end of each weary day—
Those leafy walls will rise again
Wherever I stop to pray.

—OC Robert G. Lyall, 20th Co.
In "Shavetall."

Series Goes Into Fifth Game Tonight



Post Ringmen Box at Rucker Tomorrow Night

Combined Team of 176th and 300th Faces Wildcats

A combined boxing team made up of men from the 300th and the 176th Infantry Regiments, will leave Friday morning to stage a match with the boxing team of Camp Rucker in their arena at Camp Rucker, Alabama.

A well rounded card is in the offing with the men having most of the top combinations in the light and middleweight class and the 176th taking care of the heavyweight angle.

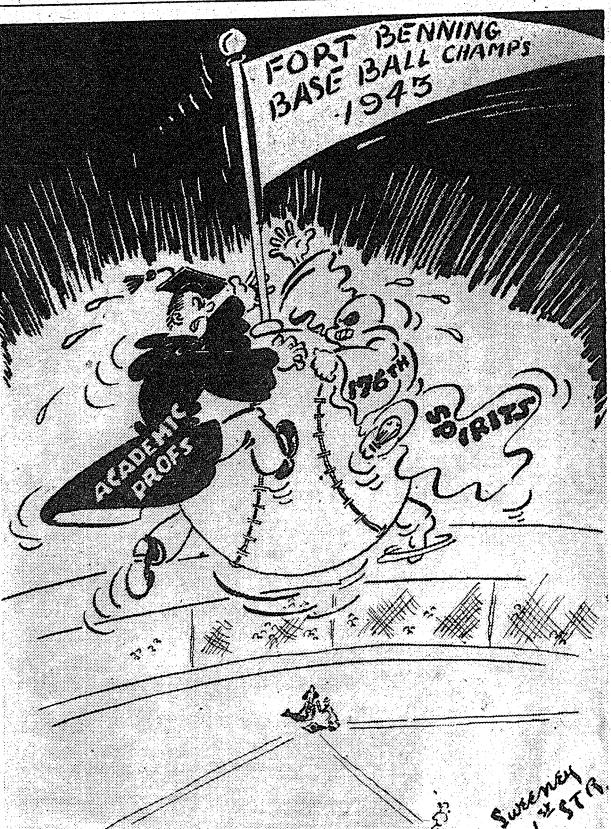
GARCIAS FIGHT

Some of the boxers for the 300th will be Joe and Rudy Garcia, Tony Franco and Dan Davis, boys who are well known for their fighting ability. For the 176th, Fred Aguirre will pit his skill and cunning against whatever bantam Camp Rucker can offer.

RETURN MATCH

A return match is scheduled here at Fort Benning for October 1st. It will be interesting to note the results of the Camp Rucker bout which will give an indication of what to expect when the teams meet again, here at Doughboy Station on October 1st.

The Camp Rucker match will give the boxers the experience they have been unable to obtain as yet in Fort Benning competition.



PROF JINX—Lefty Wissman, Spirit mound ace, racked up his fourth straight win this year over the Academic Regiment on Monday night when he hurled the 176th nine to a 4-2 win over the Pros in the second game of the world series at the post.

Gator Eleven Opens At Draper Prison Friday

Milton Will Unveil 1943 Grid Machine

Racing Stable Owner Is Here At O. C. School

Candidate Pifman Was Born and Raised in Bluegrass Region

Major Red Milton will take the wraps off his classy Gator gridiron machine tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, but none of the 124th's future rivals will have a chance to take a look—because the game will be played behind closed doors.

The Gators will bow in the 1943 campaign with a warm-up game against the inmate eleven at Draper Prison, Spingerville, Alabama. The prisoners usually make a good test for several of the teams last fall.

PREP FOR NAVY

The Draper clash will give the burly Gator mentor a chance to view his new team under actual combat conditions as the 124th's present coach, the Army-Navy Tech in the Florida city on Saturday, the 26th.

Although no definite starting line-up has been announced for the Draper clash, Milton is expected to start the varsity that has been running in drills all week.

BULLDOGS START

That club has brilliant Roy Cestary at tailback, Georgia LaMarr Davis at end, George Jim Tamm at fullback and either low Bill Staus or little Nick Celos, all-conference at Benning, at quarter, Bob White of Indiana, might replace Todd at fullback.

In the line, the Gators will probably start out with Alabama's Sam Tamm, Tom Soltas at the flanks, Alabama's Jack McKeown and Bill Tell at tackles, Fordham's Bob Fitzgerald and Mike Aulenti at the guards, and Columbia's Bill Corey at the pivot post.

During the course of the game, however, Milton expects to throw his entire squad into action to test their efficiency under actual game conditions.

300th Power Rates Team Among Army Topnotchers

In a series of fast scrimmages this past week, the 300th Infantry football squad gave evidence of the power which should label it as among the top-notch service teams of the nation this year.

The Sabers emerged through with ten and brown (seven of its tackles tip the scales at over 215 pounds each) are fast, rugged, and deceptive.

DIBLASI SHINES

Among the stars whose work in scrimmages has been outstanding is the little touted Sam DiBlasi, who at Washington and Lee University missed the wide publicity which he would have received had he larger bill. His career was provided, however, with the Cleveland Rams professional football squad.

DiBlasi is the surprise of the pre-season practice sessions and may prove the dark-horse player

87th Recons' Pugs Prepare For Local Rings

The 87th Armored Reconnaissance battalion, one of the fighting battalions in the "Lucky 87th" is tossing its boxing gloves into the ring soon to show Benning boxing fans why their unit is dubbed "the fighting 87th." Preliminary to the eventual Axis K. O., they have ready a team of boxers to challenge all others on the post.

Heading the list is 200-pound Jerry Koberna, "C" Co., from Cleveland, who is a former professional boxer with the reputation of flooring Charley McCarthy once for all time.

If Joe Louis should include Fort Benning during his exhibition tour of army camps, Koberna hopes to have an opportunity to star with the champ on an exhibition match.

From Lakewood, Ja., comes "A" Co.'s Charley (Kid) McCue, a featherweight (126) who has a professional bouts to his credit.

Other fight-string boxers of the 87th include 165-pound Tom Barron, "C" Co., of Chicago, (175 pounds); Mickey Nowak, (180 pounds); "C" Co., from Cleveland; Whitey Gardner (160 pounds); "Louisiana" Guin, (160 pounds); from New Orleans, and Dick Feris (147 pounds) and Dick Carter (160 pounds), from "B" Co.

The team of nine former pro and semi-pro boxers trains under Lt. Carl F. Cooke, who could pinch-hit for any of his pugilists if necessary, to represent the 87th.

According to him, a good tip from the feed-box is to "Watch the 87th."

TABLE TENNIS CHAMPS

Ptes Francis Fannak and Irving Sungat of the 176th Infantry have been declared the doubles Table Tennis champions of Fort Benning by virtue of their winning the tournament held at Service Club No. 1.

Fannak and Sungat defeated the highly touted 17th Armored Division team in straight games. They each received a silver cup and a gold autographed by Brig. Gen. Walter S. Fulton.

SPIRITS DECORATED

Good Conduct Medals were awarded to 198 members of the 176th Infantry last week. The medals were awarded for demonstrated fidelity through faith, courage, through capacity to produce desired results, and whose behavior has been such as to deserve emulation for a period of one year or more.

SPIRIT BAND ON AIR

The 176th Infantry's regimental band will be the featured performers this Sunday, September 19, over Radio Station WRBL at 5:00 in the afternoon. The band will be under the personal direction of WOJG Paul S. Callaway.

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ALL-SEC BACKFIELD of the 300th Infantry eleven is shown above. The husky Sabers are, left to right: Ike Peel, Bill Meek and Bill Nowling, all of the Tennessee Vols, and Ermal Allen, famed Kentucky Wildcats. The Vols were all members of last year's crack Tennessee eleven which won the Sugar Bowl classic from Tulsa's Golden Hurricane. Allen was an all-conference selection two seasons ago with Kentucky and played last fall for the Eastern Army All-Stars. All four backs are anxiously awaiting their October 16th meeting with Georgia Tech's Yellowjackets, an old SEC rival of college days. (Signal Lab Photo by Sgt. Mel Stock)

Walt Poland Slated To Hurl for Spirits Against Rudy Rundus

First-Game Winner Will Attempt To Stymie Academic Nine Again

Hustling Walt Poland, hero of the opening game victory on Sunday night, is slated to toe the slab for the 176th Spirits against Rudy Rundus for the Academic Pros tonight at Gowdy Field when the rivals clash in the fifth game of their world series battle for post baseball supremacy.

The little left-hander, a surprise selection in the first tilt, will attempt to continue his brilliant pitching against the hard-hitting Pros. Sunday's clash set the Pros down with two hits, a double and a single by Johnny Russo, and did not give up a single walk as the Spirits won, 3-1.

RUNDUS BEATEN

Rundus hurled the second game of the series for the Academics and bowed to Lefty Wissman in a stubborn mound duel due to a 4-2 count. The right-hander pinned six hit ball, however, and might have beaten any other moundman than Wissman, who now holds four straight decisions over the Pros this year.

After the Spirits had romped to a pair of opening victories on the spleen of the mud courts of their park southways, they blew the series wide open non Tuesday night in one of the worst fiascos ever seen in the ancient ball park.

NINE MUSCLES

No less than nine errors were committed in the first four innings by the 176th as its infield developed a bad case of the jitters. The result was an unbroken 16-6 scoreline, the worst thumping administered to the Spirits this season.

The teams settled back to the fourth game last night but the Bayonet went to press before the Spirits had finished. If the Spirits won last night's test, then they will have a chance to cop the laurels in tonight's clash. But if Wednesday game went to the pros, the series now stands all even, and tonight's battle will be a crucial one.

RUSS SPARKLES

Heroes of the series so far, besides Wissman, have been Bob Ramazzotti and Sparky Shaha of the Spirits and Johnny Russo of the Pros. Ramazzotti poked a 360-foot Homer in the opener and has hit well ever since, while Russo has done some brilliant catching and fielding.

Russko, in his first two games, was a bright spot in a lost cause for the Pros. He has now gotten six hits in the series to lead all other batsmen, and his fielding has been little short of sensational.

With the opening date still undecided, the 176th Spirit football squad continues twice-daily workouts under the direction of Coaches Lee Pollock, Joe Thomas, Ed Hipp, and Harry Hale. The practice contest with the 300th Infantry, originally canceled for September 25, has been rescheduled to Oct. 15, and the underdogs will be arranged a contest for that date.

At present, October 2 appears to be the opening date when the Spirits journey to Columbus, S. C., to face the University of South Carolina. The Gamecock's always power in Southern football, and an unknown quantity this season, and will appear in Doughboy Stadium on October 16 when they rank ninth.

Just the other day, when the officers basic class in the 11th Company, 1st Student Training Regiment, had gathered for a critique of their work, one student, an unsmiling youngster stepped forward with his inevitable "brief remarks."

The instructor handed him a microphone with these instructions: "Just slip this over your neck."

The umpire had some difficulty with the apparatus. The class meanwhile viewed the umpire with mingled emotions; the class was hot and dirty. The umpire's coveralls were not even wrinkled. Then our umpire succeeded; the microphone was placed in around his neck, and he beamed benevolently at the class.

Suddenly a nameless voice from the stands: "Now twist it, ya bum!" Another field expedient had been born into the world.

the team gathered to select the "Most Hustling" player on the team. Their choice was unanimous.

It was Private First Class Don Kotowski of Company C.

Max and Buddy Baer are only

Corporals in the U.S. Army but to Gov. Robert S. Kerr of Oklahoma they're "colonels." The governor recently named both

"colonels" on his staff.

Bernie Jefferson, all Big-Ten

backfield at Northwestern in 1936

to 1938 received his wings and

commission at graduation exercises held recently at Tuskegee

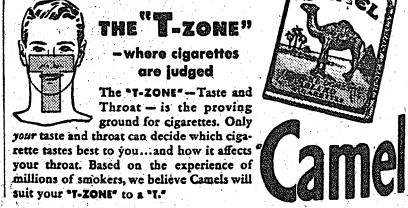
Air Force Academy in Alabama.

Pat Ryan, fabulous New York

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Jap Radio Packs Wallop For Boys In Alaska, Returned Sergeant Says

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S. Sgt. Herbert E. Berner, at present with the Casual company at Fort Benning, was stationed in Alaska for 11 months and never once saw an igloo.

He stated yesterday that rather than houses made of ice, the Alaskans had modern homes with refrigerators, electric lights, ranges, washing machines, mangles, mixers and a great many other conveniences.

Sgt. Berner is 33 years old and originally from St. Louis, Mo. In civilian life he was a private investigator, and after arriving in Alaska on May 21, 1942, the army placed him in the intelligence service.

While relating some of his experiences in the Far North, Sergeant Berner said that on their first arrival the soldiers worked 24 hours a day to build their post. The recreation building was made from piling wood the men salvaged along the beach. This served as church, theater and sports arena.

BONNIE TINY STATION

He said the only radios they had were small ones until the post commander and special service officer arranged to have a little radio station. This was made by the men, out of wire, the pine wood and scraps. It was a two and one-half-watt station, and at times the soldiers would have to hold it together with their hands until it worked.

The station, however, picked up broadcasts from Tokyo, Sergeant Berner said, and these were found to be extremely amusing by the men in service.

A Japanese woman who spoke perfect English, with the cause of a great deal of laughter. Instead of sitting down the soldier's morale at the anticipated, she boosted it, the sergeant said.

One story she told over the ether was that the United States was so hard up for steel that they had to tear down the Sixth Avenue bridge in New York City (this was torn down long before the declaration of war.)

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'Goldbricks' Far Fewer Than in 1918

Psychiatrists Try to
Weed Out Mental Cases,
Cure Habit in Others

WASHINGTON, Sept. 11.—In the armed forces of this war, there is a better understanding of the malingerer—the man who feigns disability to avoid military duty—than during the last war.

As a result, military psychiatrists say, fewer malingerers are being classified this time as genuine "goldbricks" or outright liars.

In the last war, says Col. Roy D. Halloran, chief of the neuro-psychiatric branch of the army surgeon general's office, most men who feigned illness or injury were labeled as pure, unadulterated fibbers—and put in the ranks anyway.

Now, he says, psychiatrists generally hold to the concept that most malingerers can be classed as mentally sick men, whose lying is simply a symptom of an unstable personality—and efforts are made to eliminate them from the service either at induction centers or as soon as possible after they enter military life.

SOME 'GOLDBRICKS'

This concept, he said, did not spring up over night. It had a limited acceptance during the first year of the war, and it increased during the last 25 years if became more generally accepted and applied by psychiatrists as a result of evidence obtained in many cases where civilians feigned illness to get out of difficult work.

But, they all are genuine "goldbricks" in the armed forces, he said—men whose lying is not the result of a mental quirk, but rather of laziness, ignorance, homesickness, apathy about the seriousness of war, or a temporary sense of fear.

"But the number is almost negligible," he said. "Moreover, some of them can be made into first-class soldiers as a result of heart-to-heart talks with doctors or unit commanders. They are recuperative, and often outright onerous ones who have to be discharged."

LOW IN NAVY, TOO

Navy psychiatrists say the number of true malingerers in that service is also low.

Doctors and nurses, doctors realize that in addition to the problem of eliminating the psychopathic malingerers, there is another factor that has tended to keep the number of fakers low in both branches of the service.

Potential dodgers, they contend, apparently have come to realize that examiners have been trained to detect their trickery. X-ray, the principles of anatomy, a knowledge of the true symptoms of diseases, and a few tricks not found in the medical books—all these are the equipment of the examiner in detecting a faker.

What are some of the "dodges" employed and how do the examiners ferret them out?

Articles appearing recently in the Military Surgeon and the U. S. Naval Medical Bulletin point out some of them.

It is a paradox that while most malingerers are mental misfits, very few of the entire number feign mental illnesses. They try to show leg injuries, backaches, paralysis, pain, or total blindness, for instance.

Some men have been known to inflict wounds on themselves with gun or knife.

Sometimes they consume boxes of cathartics to produce symptoms of diarrhea, and at other times they display various bruises as "proof" of shammed epilepsy.

Even when a man is believed to be faking any kind of disability, the examiners give him the benefit of doubt.

"Careful investigation, psychological and medical judgment must be exerted in all cases," says Major Brussel. "The attitude to be adopted is that the patient is innocent until proved guilty."

drives, just as we are here in the States.

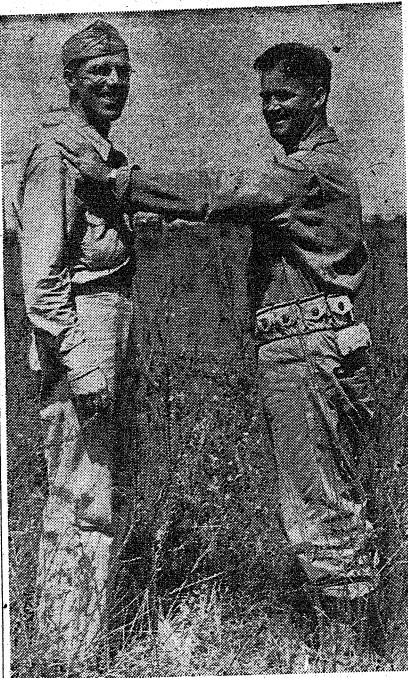
The Alaskan feeling against the Japs, he said, is perhaps stronger than ours because they have had so much trouble with them in the past over fishing rights. The Alaskan soldiers is a natural born scound and a sturdy sharpshooter. He is at home on boat or land.

"There used to be an old man near our camp," he related, "who was called 'Chris the Whaler.' No one there ever knew him by any other name. Even his social security card was made out bearing that name.

"He turned this over to the army and it proved to be of inestimable value to them. This is just one instance of how our Alaskan brothers are aiding the war," Sergeant Berner concluded.

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Colonel Landis Visits Lawson

Colonel Reed G. Landis, recently named commanding officer of the Third Troop Carrier Command with headquarters at Stout Field, Indianapolis, Ind., paid his first visit to Lawson Field, a component of the First TCC, Friday.

Col. Landis' one day visit was

for the purpose of making a routine inspection of the local base and troop carrier units stationed at Fort Benning.

He was accompanied by Major Alexander Couch, plans and training officer of the First Troop Carrier Command.

Colonel Landis is the son of Baseball Commissioner Kenesaw Mountain Landis.

It is estimated that 17 million American children have never been to a Sunday school.

GATERS PROMOTED
Promotions affecting the officers of six Gator companies were announced by Col. John L. Hill, regimental commander. The officers receiving boosts were Lt. James E. Manhein (Co. F), captain; Second Lts. William N. Thomas, Jr., and Thomas J. L. Henson (Cannon Co.); Robert P. Snyder (Headquarters Co.); Second Battalion, Thomas R. Potts (Company D); Tom W. King (Company B); and Lewis W. Christie (Company L) to first lieutenants.

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